

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY AT  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**July 20, 2001**

**IN RE:**

<b>APPROVAL OF OPT-IN RESALE AGREEMENT</b>	)	
<b>NEGOTIATED BETWEEN CITIZENS</b>	)	<b>DOCKET NO. 01-00441</b>
<b>TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY OF</b>	)	
<b>TENNESSEE, LLC AND TENNESSEE</b>	)	
<b>TELEPHONE SERVICE, LLC PURSUANT TO</b>	)	
<b>SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE</b>	)	
<b>TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996</b>	)	

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**ORDER APPROVING OPT-IN RESALE AGREEMENT**

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This matter came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") upon the Petition for approval of an Opt-In Resale Agreement (the "Opt-In Agreement") negotiated by and between Citizens Telecommunications Company of Tennessee, LLC ("Citizens") and Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC ("Tennessee Telephone"). The Petition for approval of the Opt-In Agreement came before the Authority pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §§ 251-252.

Under the Opt-In Agreement, Citizens made resale available to Tennessee Telephone upon the same terms and conditions as provided in the Agreement between Citizens and Universal Telecom, Inc. dated October 15, 1999. The Authority approved the October 15, 1999 Agreement at the January 11, 2000 Authority Conference (Docket No. 99-00870).

The Opt-In Agreement was considered at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on July 10, 2001, in Nashville, Tennessee before Chairman Sara Kyle, Director H. Lynn Greer, Jr., and Director Melvin J. Malone. The Authority has jurisdiction over public utilities pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-104 *et seq.* Based upon the Petition, the record in this

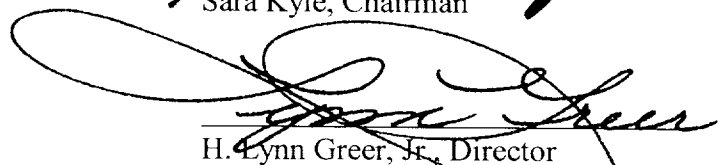
matter, and the standards for review set forth in 47 U.S.C. §§ 251-252, the Directors unanimously approved the Agreement and made the following findings and conclusions:

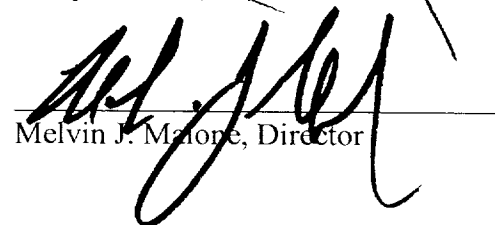
- 1) The Opt-In Agreement is in the public interest as it provides consumers with alternative sources of telecommunications services within the BellSouth service area;
- 2) The Opt-In Agreement is not discriminatory to telecommunications service providers that are not parties thereto;
- 3) No party has sought intervention in this docket;
- 4) Approval of the Opt-In Agreement is consistent with previous Authority decisions and orders; and
- 5) The Opt-In Agreement is reviewable by the Authority pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §§ 251-252 and Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-104 *et seq.*

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**


The Opt-In Resale Agreement negotiated between Citizens Telecommunications Company of Tennessee, LLC and Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC is approved and is subject to the review of the Authority as provided herein.

  
Sara Kyle, Chairman

  
H. Lynn Greer, Jr., Director

  
Melvin J. Malone, Director

ATTEST:

  
K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary